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"RAISE MORE HOGS," PRODUCERS ARE TOLD

Conference Seeks Assurance That Swine-Breeding Will Yield Fair Profit.

SHORTAGE IS FELT

200 at Meeting Designed to Increase Output of "Ideal Food for Soldiers."

To consider means for relieving the shortage of pork—called by Dean F. B. Mumford "the ideal food for the soldiers"—200 swine breeders of Missouri attended a conference at the Agricultural Building from 10 to 4:30 o'clock yesterday. After hearing talks in which they were advised, as a patriotic duty, to feed corn to hogs instead of marketing the corn, the producers adopted two resolutions that may have an important bearing on the food situation. They urged, first, that a price be fixed by the Food Administration guaranteeing to the pork producers as much money for 100 pounds of hogs on foot as he could get for fourteen bushels of corn, and, second, that substantial premiums be paid for heavy hogs to stop the selling of immature animals. The ratio of 100 pounds to 14 bushels was recommended by Dean Mumford, state food administrator.

The Pork Producers' Conference, as it was officially named, discussed from many angles the question of increasing production and at the same time assuring the farmer of a reasonable profit.

Would Suspend Cholera Rules.

The delegation from Atchison County proposed the suspension of the hog cholera rules so that they might ship in hogs to eat their frost-bitten corn. Hog breeders from other sections of the state and Doctor D. F. Luckey, State Veterinarian, defeated the measure. The meeting, however, empowered C. E. Yancy, president of the Missouri Live Stock Producers' Association, to appoint a committee of five to confer with Doctor Luckey and the State Food Administration with regard to finding a way to modify the cholera regulations.

All the speakers agreed that good prices for corn and the uncertainty of pork prices remaining at their present height caused farmers to hold back from feeding corn. They preferred to "play safe." Sherman Houston, a feeder of Malta Bend, advocated that the government stabilize pork and corn prices.

Most of the speakers believed that farmers were making a mistake in selling their hogs immature.

George M. Rommell of the United States Department of Agriculture presented statistics showing that there were 5,427,000 fewer hogs in the country this year than last. Moreover, he said that Missouri would have on hand 135,000,000 bushels of corn more than was produced last year. This should be fed to hogs, he concluded.

Prof. S. D. Gromer of the agricultural department recommends feeding of alfalfa to supplement corn, and cited a successful hog-feeding venture of last summer in support of the contention.

Anti-War Propaganda.

Dean Mumford read a telegram from Herbert Hoover calling attention to "certain propaganda in the country stimulated by pro-German and anti-war sources intended to discourage and mislead the livestock grower."

"For instance," the message continued, "a statement that the Food Administration favors \$10 hogs has been widely circulated by insidious means in many states. We have given all possible publicity to the absurdity of such a statement."

"The profits of the meat packers are to be limited and their business rigidly controlled. I believe it sound business for every farmer to increase hog production for 1918 as much as possible. I am sure that the nation needs that increase to help win the war."

The telegram from Mr. Hoover also told of the establishment of a committee of important hog producers to advise the administration as to cost of production and other matters dealing with the raising of pork.

Are Conserving Food.

Judging from remarks made by the producers who attended the conference, Missouri farmers are keenly alive to the necessity of food conservation. T. F. Avery of Hale, Carroll County, has begun to pay his ten or twelve hired men by the hour. This he says allows them to make more wages and helps him to keep abreast of his work. Hands are hard to get. Ben F. Geisert, B. S. in Ag. '15, who ships a large number of hogs a year, has planted more wheat this fall in preparation for the heavy demand. Mr. Geisert lives at Washington in Franklin County. He was engaged in agricultural extension work in 1916. Edward Petty, who keeps about 300 hogs, said his wife had signed the food pledge and had begun substitut-

THE CALENDAR

Nov. 5.—Annual meeting of Columbia Charity Organization Society at 4:15 o'clock in Commercial Club Rooms.
Nov. 12.—Second Phi Mu Alpha concert by Zoellner Quartet in University Auditorium.
Nov. 14.—Lecture on "The Government Aids in Feeding the Nation," by F. H. Newell, head of department of civil engineering, University of Illinois, in Agricultural Auditorium at 8 p. m.
Nov. 15.—Lecture on "Co-operation Among Engineers," by Prof. F. H. Newell, head of department of civil engineering, University of Illinois, in Physics Lecture Room at 4 p. m.
Nov. 23.—Missouri-Kansas football game on Rollins Field. Homecoming Day at the University.

TAKE NINE AMERICANS

Germans Capture Party of U. S. Soldiers While on Scout Duty.

By Associated Press
BERLIN, Nov. 3.—The capture of nine American soldiers, while on a reconnoitering party, by German soldiers was announced by the War Department today. They were doing outpost duty and scouting along a canal running into the Rhine on the northeastern border of France.

This region of the Rhine has not been the scene of battle since the early part of the war. The capture occurred twenty miles from Lunzelle.

By Associated Press
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 3.—A heavy downpour of rain beginning at noon Friday hindered activities of the artillery in the portion of the French front where the American battalions are on duty, and converted the vast areas into seas of mud.

No official communication was issued on Friday, but there has been nothing in the reports to headquarters to suggest any change in the normal situation along the American sector. General Pershing returned yesterday from a visit to the British front. A party of American major-generals inspected the billets of the first contingent.

TWELVE U. S. SAILORS DROWN

Accident in Home Waters to Men of Battleship Michigan.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—Twelve men, all the crew of a picket boat of the battleship Michigan, were lost when the little craft foundered in home waters. In a brief announcement of the disaster today, the Navy Department gave no details. Presumably the fast little picket boat was on patrol duty and foundered in a heavy sea or may have met with an accident. Three bodies have been found and, as all the others are missing, the Navy Department assumes that all were lost. With the casualty list, the department made this formal statement:

"The Navy Department announces that on October 30 the picket boat of the United States Ship Michigan foundered. Apparently the entire crew of the boat was lost. The finding of the bodies of three of the crew and failure to find any other trace of the boat or its occupants leads the department to believe all are lost."

The body of Coxswain E. L. Tamillo, whose mother lives in Chicago, has been recovered.

M. C. MAN BUILDS U. S. CAMP

S. B. Houx Now Has Contract to Build Airplane Training Base.

Samuel Bailey Houx, formerly of Warrensburg, graduate of the School of Engineering in 1902, is now head of a Houston, Tex., construction company that built Camp Logan and now he has a large contract from the government, the building of a two squadron airbase, which, besides the government On the first job Houx had 4,000 men working at once and gave out weekly pay checks amounting to nearly \$30,000.

Eight years ago with one man, now dead, he founded his construction company, which, he sides the government jobs, has a long list of the largest projects of the Southwest to its credit. Houx was a football star while in the University.

TWO TIGERS ARE INJURED

Bass, Whose Collar Bone Was Broken, May Be Out of the Game.

Henry B. Bass, right tackle on the Missouri team, suffered a broken collar bone in yesterday's game with Oklahoma. He may not be able to play in any of the remaining games this season. E. G. Schroeder, right end, was also severely injured. The ligaments in his right shoulder were torn loose during the last quarter of the game. He had to be replaced by Marshall. It is believed he will recover from the injury in time to play in the Washington game November 17.

Miss Wheelon Tells of War Work.

Miss Martha Wheelon, Y. W. C. A. secretary from Bombay, India, spoke at an informal meeting of the cabinet yesterday morning in Academic Hall. Miss Wheelon told of the war work in India, the care of the wounded English and Australian soldiers in Bombay, and the Y. W. C. A. work for the nurses.

TWENTY-SIX REFUSE TO SIGN A PLEDGE

But Few of the Women in Columbia Showed Any Disloyalty.

CANVASS A SUCCESS

Incomplete Reports From County Show 3,083 Will Economize.

Twenty-six persons would not sign the Hoover food pledge in Columbia last week, and 2,621 persons did sign it. Mrs. W. E. Harsh, vice-chairman for Boone County of the food pledge committee, said that with incomplete returns from the county and reports from the Third Ward in Columbia lacking, the total registration was 3,083. Sturgeon reported 459 pledges signed.

Mrs. W. K. Bayless, who supervised the campaign in the most thickly populated district, reported 1,291 who signed the pledge. Mrs. J. A. Gibson had 635 signers and Mrs. R. P. Finley had 350 names, with reports from two of her committees yet to come in. Mrs. Carrie George signed 290 at the cafeteria.

Mrs. John H. Estes turned in 249, the greatest number of names, obtained by one person. Mrs. H. Wade Hubbard was next with 192 names. Mrs. L. L. Hunt and Mrs. L. B. Truitt were third and fourth with 181 and 178 names, respectively.

The campaign was a success in every way. The twenty-six persons who would not sign declined chiefly because of ignorance of what the pledge really meant. Some were reluctant to sign any sort of a paper, some were uninterested, some had to wait and see their husbands and a very few were antagonistic. "I don't believe those twenty-six persons are disloyal," said Mrs. Harsh. "I believe they just didn't understand."

The campaign in the county has been extended until November 12, as the blanks and pledge cards did not come until late. So far, the returns from the county have been excellent.

HOW SOME WOMEN SAVE

Meatless and Wheatless Days the Vogue in Columbia.

Wheatless days and meatless days are the vogue in Columbia. Hoover pledge cards are seen in practically every home and many are the women who are following the plans of the Hoover administration. In the homes of families of moderate circumstances food conservation is practiced every day in the year, and usually year in and year out, regardless of wars. Yet almost every housewife in Columbia is finding some new way in which she can conserve, a new wheatless recipe, a substitute wheat dish or sirup instead of sugar cookies.

"I do not ice my cakes," said Mrs. H. O. Severance, 117 Edgewood avenue, "and this, together with the use of honey in cookies, is a great saving. In the line of meats we use very little for we have our own chickens."

This is the one way where a large number of Columbia housewives are economizing and saving the meats. They have bought chickens which not only supply the necessary meat but also eggs. The table scraps are fed to them but as one housewife declared, "we have to buy chicken feed for we don't have table scraps now. We are giving the garbage man a chance to get the kink out of his back."

Mrs. J. E. Thornton, 301 Hitt street, believes that the conservation of food is the doing without that which the government can ship to the Allies, and using those meats, vegetables and fresh fruits which cannot be sent. "In the meat line," said Mrs. Thornton, "I use game, fowl, eggs and fish. Then if pork or beef is desired, I use liver, brains and spareribs, or in other words, those parts which are not shipped to the fighting force. I have been using more beans and have discovered that the small brown speckled bean has as much nutritive value and is less expensive than the navy bean."

"We have just finished a beefless, porkless and muttonless week, with oysters, fish and chicken as substitutes," said Mrs. P. F. Trowbridge, 1305 Keiser. "With a five-gallon jar of sorghum, I also intend to do with less sugar. Speaking of new dishes, I have discovered that a crustless pumpkin pie, in other words, a pumpkin pudding, is very good, and that is a saving of wheat and fat."

Mrs. J. A. Roberts, 312 North Eighth street declared that her economy had been practiced for a good many years. "The signing of the Hoover pledge does not make much difference with me," she said, "for I have a family that likes cornbread. We have it twice a day and wheat biscuits only for breakfast. I do not use lard in making cornbread so just that much fat is conserved. We use very little meat for we have our own chickens."

Mrs. J. D. Van Horn, 1614 Amelia street, says that although she is the wife of a grocery dealer she has been

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SON OF W. A. BRIGHT ON TORPEDOED BOAT

No Word From Columbia Boy, Senior Lieutenant on Finland.

ON HIS THIRD TRIP

Clarkson Bright Was in Charge of the Transport's Gun Crew.

Clarkson Bright, son of W. A. Bright, who lives two and one-half miles north of Columbia on the Black-foot gravel, was the senior lieutenant on the transport Finland, which was torpedoed on the home journey recently. Nine men lost their lives.

W. A. Bright told a Missourian reporter last night that he knows little more about the attack than has appeared in the papers. He had received no word from his son. Clarkson Bright was graduated from Annapolis in 1910 and has been in the Navy ever since, rising to the office of senior lieutenant, in charge of the ship's gun crew.

The last time that Mr. Bright saw his son was in September, when he and his wife went to New York to visit him while he was on a leave of absence. He has not been in Columbia since the war started. This was his third trip on a transport ship and the first time that he has met any accident. The official announcement of the affair was as follows:

"The Navy Department has received dispatches stating that the transport Finland was torpedoed while returning from foreign waters. The damage to the ship was slight, and she returned to port under her own steam. The Finland was under escort, but no sign of the torpedo or submarine was seen."

Another report of Navy Department told of the loss of nine lives.

PROF. F. H. NEWELL COMING

Two Lectures Here by Former Reclamation Service Director.

Prof. F. H. Newell, head of the department of civil engineering of the University of Illinois, former director of the United States Reclamation Service, will deliver two lectures here November 14 and 15. The lecture on November 14 will be given in the Agricultural Auditorium at 8 o'clock. The subject will be "Government Aids in Feeding the Nation," and it will be illustrated by stereopticon slides. "Co-operation Among Engineers," will be Professor Newell's subject in the afternoon of November 15. It will be given in the physics lecture room at 4 o'clock. Both these lectures are given under the auspices of the Sigma Xi.

HEADS PENN SUMMER SCHOOL

New Position for Dr. H. L. Crosby, Former M. U. Teacher.

Dr. Henry L. Crosby, assistant professor of Greek in the University from 1906 to 1909, has been appointed head of the summer school at the University of Pennsylvania, where he is assistant professor of Greek. Doctor Crosby was graduated from the University of Texas in 1901 and received the degree of Ph. D. at Harvard in 1905. He taught at Pennsylvania before coming to Missouri and was preceptor of classics at Princeton the following year. Mrs. Crosby, who was formerly Miss Olive Williams, is a sister of Mrs. W. G. Manly of Columbia.

TO GIVE FOOD TO THE POOR

Churches Will Distribute Baskets Thanksgiving Day.

The Columbia churches and the Charity Organization Society will distribute baskets of food to poor families in the city Thanksgiving Day. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church has already promised thirteen baskets.

Mumford to Talk to Grocers.

Dean Frederick B. Mumford, federal food administrator for Missouri, will deliver an address upon the work of the administration before a meeting of the wholesale grocers of Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma in Kansas City Monday.

Track Meeting Tomorrow Night.

A second meeting of track men has been called by Coach H. F. Schulte to be held at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night in the Missouri Union Building. All interested in track work are requested to attend.

To Speak at Presbyterian Church.

C. G. Lord of Camp Funston will address the young people's societies at 6 o'clock tonight at the Presbyterian Church. His topic will be "Arms and the Man."

S. A. E. Freshmen Win.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon freshman football team defeated the Delta Tau Delta freshmen yesterday morning on Rollins Field by a score of 12 to 0.

To Close Library on Sunday.

The University Library is to be closed on Sunday until a larger supply of coal is obtained.

THE WEATHER

(Report issued Saturday.)
For Columbia: Fair Sunday; slightly warmer.
For Missouri: Fair Sunday; slightly warmer south and east portion, and extreme east portion Sunday.

Yesterday's Football Results.
Minnesota 7, Wisconsin 10
Illinois 0, Chicago 0
Ohio State 26, Indiana 3
Oklahoma 14, Missouri 7
Kansas 9, Kansas Aggies 0
Mo. Sch. of Mines 2, Washington 21
Ohio U. 43, Baldwin Wallace 0
Grinnell 25, Drake 7
Central 0, Oklahoma A. and M. 13
Brown 0, Syracuse 6

GERMAN SHIPS SUNK

British Sea Forces Destroy Cruiser and Ten Armed Patrol Boats.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Nov. 3.—The admiralty announces that certain British forces have engaged in the Cattegat, an arm of the North Sea between Sweden and Denmark, and that prisoners are being brought in. No further information is yet at hand.

The statement issued by the British admiralty says: "Further reports from our forces operating in the Cattegat have been received. We destroyed a German cruiser armed with six-inch guns and also ten armed patrol craft. Sixty-four prisoners have been rescued by our forces. No British losses have been reported. Further details will be published on the return of our forces to their base."

German Raider Sunk.

By Associated Press

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 3.—The sinking of the German raider, Crocodile, and five German armed trawlers was reported by men on two Danish steamships. The men said they sighted the German vessels in flames and later saw them sink.

German Cruiser Sunk.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Nov. 3.—Thirty German sailors from the German cruiser Marie were killed in a naval battle that occurred between the latter and a British destroyer, according to reports from Copenhagen.

CAPITOL ALMOST COMPLETED

Two Statues Now Being Considered for Place in Main Hall.

The construction work on the new capitol building at Jefferson City is about completed and all that remains to be done is the decorating and interior furnishing, according to E. W. Stephens, chairman of the Capitol Commission. It is estimated that two or three months will be required for this work.

Steel furniture yet remains to be obtained for the buildings, and all the interior decorating and painting must still be done. The pediment carving, which will probably be elaborate, has not been arranged for but the detail that is most in abeyance is the selection of a suitable statue for the main hall.

Two figures are being considered for the place of honor. The one that seems to have the preference is that of Ceres, Goddess of the Harvest. This is favorably considered because of its aptness in showing the agricultural possibilities of the state. It would cost \$3,000 or \$4,000 and would be made of bronze or copper; probably of the latter metal as bronze is now very expensive.

The other figure suggested is that of an Indian, the hands outstretched to the sun, and arranged on a pedestal that would turn by clock work to keep the figure always facing the sun. This idea has gained some favor because of its novelty.

BAN ON CHRISTMAS GIVING

Christian College Club to Use Money for Armenians.

The Christian College Club decided Thursday afternoon to abolish the giving of Christmas presents and to use that fund for the benefit of the Armenians. It was also decided to give a sacred concert for the benefit of local charity. Fifty persons attended the meeting.

To Observe Week of Prayer.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Broadway Methodist Church will observe their annual week of prayer from Monday, November 5, to Friday, November 9. The meeting Monday afternoon will be devoted to Red Cross work in the Thilo Building. On each succeeding afternoon, prayer service will be held at the church from 3 to 4 o'clock.

Home Demonstrator Employed.

The Agricultural Extension Service of the College of Agriculture has employed Miss Florence Carven of Wichita, Kan., as an emergency home demonstrator, with headquarters at Independence, Mo. Miss Carven will work in eight counties in the western part of the state, organizing boys' and girls' and house-keepers' clubs, for the purpose of food conservation.

ITALIANS REPULSE GERMAN ATTACKS

Pressure More Noticeable Now on Left Wing of Their Armies.

AN APPEAL TO U. S.

War Office Wants This Country to Declare War on Austria.

By Associated Press

ROME, Nov. 3.—The Austro-German pressure is more noticeable on the left wing of the Italian armies on the Tagliamento line, says the official statement issued today by the Italian war office. Attempts have been made by the Germans to reach the right bank of the river, the statement adds, but all attacks have been repulsed by the Italians.

Wants War on Austria.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—America can best aid Italy in her present crisis by declaring war on Italy's arch enemy, Austria-Hungary, said an official cablegram from the general headquarters of the Italian army received here today.

"It is the general opinion in Italy that the United States can render the greatest service to Italy and to the cause of the Entente during the critical events of the present time," the cablegram says. "There is no question here of America sending soldiers and steamers; it is by declaring war on Austria-Hungary, the allies of Germany and the enemy of Italy."

Germans Retreat in West.

By Associated Press

PARIS, Nov. 3.—The French are advancing between the Oise Canal and the region of Carbeny and have reached the south bank of the Ailette River, the war office announced today.

The Germans have retreated to the north bank of the river. The bridges across the Ailette have been destroyed by the Germans.

Since October 23 the French have captured 422 guns and 720 machine guns.

Russians and Germans Fraternize.

By Associated Press

PETROGRAD, Nov. 3.—Russian troops in the Vishnev sector yesterday fraternized with German troops, it was announced today by the war office. Vishnev is a town on the Russian front southwest of Vilna.

SOLDIERS GIVE WAR BENEFITS

One Wounded Canadian Has Raised \$150,000 for British War Fund.

A letter to Dwight Adams, a student in the School of Engineering from his sister in Birmingham, England, tells of the life in the trenches as related by four Canadian soldiers who are incapacitated for further service. One, a Red Cross Ambulance corporal, was fired upon while taking the wounded off the field and part of his skull was blown off. Now a silver plate is inserted in his head. Another can scarcely see, the optic nerve of one eye being entirely destroyed; another is partly paralyzed and the fourth still has a trace of shell shock. These men are now giving entertainments for the benefit of the British war fund. One of them plays on a trench violin made from a tin cracked box, with a piece of wood from a destroyed Belgian church for a neck and the strings from an old piano. He has raised \$150,000 for the war fund in this manner.

They say the Germans try to make their troops believe that London is destroyed, that France is in their possession, and the idea of Americans sending more troops abroad is absurd.

The men in the trenches are well fed and well taken care of, and resigned to what may happen. They look forward to the mail like small boys, and their advice to every one is to write to some soldier and send him tobacco and reading matter.

COLLIER FUEL ADMINISTRATOR

Will Be in Charge of Coal Distribution in the County.

H. A. Collier has been appointed fuel administrator for Boone County by Wallace Crossley, state fuel administrator. Mr. Collier will have two assistants. One of his first duties will be to make a coal survey of the county.

Recital at Methodist Church Today.

A twilight recital will be given at 4 o'clock this afternoon at the Broadway Methodist Church by Isaac Edward Norris, organist, and Miss Anna Laura Johnson, contralto, assisted by R. G. Spurling, cellist. A silver offering will be taken for the benefit of the choir music fund.

Two Couples Get Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Miss Mamie Sue Wade, 21 years old, and Clarence C. Brown, 22 years old, both of Columbia, and Donald Francis Shore, 19 years old, of Centralia and Miss Ruth Fordyce, 20 years old, of Wellsville.

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